arise from it in misleading the intelligent creation. If; is conceivable, on the contrary, that such an interposition may call their attention to the agency of the new life now introduced upon the scene. It will commonly be found, in regard to such interpositions, that they are only occasional, and after long intervals ; that the miraculous agency is displayed only on the introduction of a new dispensation, and afterwards gives place to the ordinary operation of law; or that, when continued, as in the internal regeneration of fallen humanity, it is as a secret principle unseen by the world. Such exceptions, when known to be exceptions, and seen to servo a great and gracious cud, rather confirm the general rule, and are in no way inconsistent with the continuous prevalence of subordinate causes in the ordinary course of the Divine administration/[11]

* *Eighth Edition*—Mr. Darwin has succeeded in showing that the principle of "natural selection" may account for the disappearance of species, and for tho extensive modification of species. But thin is all. In gooln^ic speculations in regard to inanimate nature, we carry back agencies now in op*-ration into f 'inner epochs. But in the historical period we havo no uwMjuivucal iiiHt;iMr;t; of flic formation of new species, say of monkevn, being exalted into lm.n.ui bc-in^s. The very law of selection implies, in order to itn operation, certain oii;,.!;in;il pnwrni and hereditary laws, and a beautiful pru-CHtahliahud harmony bi:twiM>n them. Mr. Darwin does not attempt to show, and all attempts by othurt* have faihjil to prove?, that tho law of selection, or any other, can account for the: origin of lil'u, thn origin of consciousness, or of knowledge generally, and tho origin of man with hi/, hi^h psychical qualities, such as his power of using speech, his intuitivo minon, his appreciation of beauty, his conscious freedom and responsibility, his ideas of immtl good, and his immortality. It is as true as ever, that wo know no law of nature operating at present which is capable of producing thuse phenomena. It may bo *mfvly* assorted that, if the origin of these powers be over accounted for, it will he by far higher agencies than tho.se contemplated by **Mr.** Darwin or Mr*